

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims 1-24 and ADD claims 25-33, as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A recording system in which an image supply device and a recording apparatus ~~are directly~~ communicate with each other ~~connected~~, and data is supplied from said image supply device to said recording apparatus to attain a recording process, wherein ~~characterized in that~~

said image supply device comprises:

an interface adapted to connect with a storage medium which stores ~~for storing~~ image data and a first recording condition associated with a recording process of the image data;

acquisition means for acquiring information associated with a function of said recording apparatus by communicating with said ~~upon connection of said~~ recording apparatus;

setting means for setting a second recording condition associated with the recording process of the image data on the basis of the information associated with the function, which is acquired by said acquisition means; and

recording instruction means for issuing a recording instruction to said recording apparatus on the basis of the first and second recording conditions, and

said recording apparatus comprises:

recording control means for controlling to acquire image data stored in said storage medium in accordance with the recording conditions designated by said recording instruction means and to record ~~recording~~ the image data.

2. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in~~  
~~that~~ wherein said image supply device further comprises selection means for selecting one of the  
first and second recording conditions to be preferentially used to issue a recording instruction to  
said recording apparatus.

3. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in~~  
~~that~~ wherein said image supply device further comprises:

comparison means for comparing the first and second recording conditions;

and

recording condition selection means for, when it is determined as a result of  
comparison by said comparison means that the first and second recording conditions are different  
from each other, selecting one of the first and second recording conditions.

4. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in~~  
~~that~~ wherein said image supply device further comprises:

comparison means for comparing the first and second recording conditions;

and

warning display means for, when it is determined as a result of comparison by  
said comparison means that the first and second recording conditions are different from each  
other, displaying a warning.

5. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in~~  
that wherein the first recording condition is designated by a DPOF.

6. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 5, ~~characterized in~~  
that wherein said image supply device comprises input means for inputting the first recording  
condition, and means for generating the DPOF on the basis of information input by said input  
means.

7. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in~~  
that wherein said recording instruction means generates a command sequence for the second  
recording condition, which includes image data selected by the first recording condition in the  
second recording condition.

8. (Currently Amended) The system according to claim 1, ~~characterized in~~  
that wherein the second recording condition is a recording condition based on a common  
protocol between said image supply device and said recording apparatus.

9. (Currently Amended) An image supply device ~~characterized by~~  
comprising:

an interface adapted to connect with a storage medium for storing image data  
and a first recording condition associated with a recording process of the image data;  
acquisition means for acquiring information associated with a function of a

recording apparatus by communicating with ~~upon connection of~~ the recording apparatus;

setting means for setting a second recording condition associated with the recording process of the image data on the basis of the information associated with the function, which is acquired by said acquisition means; and

recording instruction means for issuing a recording instruction to the recording apparatus on the basis of the first and second recording conditions.

10. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 9, ~~characterized by~~ further comprising selection means for selecting one of the first and second recording conditions to be preferentially used to issue a recording instruction to said recording apparatus.

11. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 9, ~~characterized by~~ further comprising comparison means for comparing the first and second recording conditions. and recording condition selection means for, when it is determined as a result of comparison by said comparison means that the first and second recording conditions are different from each other, selecting one of the first and second recording conditions.

12. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 9, ~~characterized by~~ further comprising comparison means for comparing the first and second recording conditions, and warning display means for, when it is determined as a result of comparison by said comparison means that the first and second recording conditions are different from each other, displaying a warning.

13. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 9, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the first recording condition is designated by a DPOF.

14. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 13, ~~characterized by~~ further comprising input means for inputting the first recording condition, and means for generating the DPOF on the basis of information input by said input means.

15. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 9, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said recording instruction means generates a command sequence for the second recording condition, which includes image data selected by the first recording condition in the second recording condition.

16. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 9, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the second recording condition is a recording condition based on a common protocol between said image supply device and the recording apparatus.

17. (Currently Amended) A recording control method for recording by directly communicating ~~connecting~~ an image supply device and a recording apparatus, and supplying data from the image supply device to the recording apparatus, ~~characterized by~~ comprising:

a storage step of storing image data and a first recording condition associated with a recording process of the image data in a storage medium;

an acquisition step of acquiring information associated with a function of the recording apparatus by communicating with ~~upon connection of~~ the recording apparatus;

a setting step of setting a second recording condition associated with the recording process of the image data on the basis of the information associated with the function, which is acquired in the acquisition step;

a recording instruction step of issuing a recording instruction to the recording apparatus on the basis of the first recording condition stored in the storage medium in the storage step, and the second recording condition; and

a recording control step of controlling to acquire image data stored in the storage medium in accordance with the recording conditions designated in the recording instruction step and to record ~~recording~~ the image data.

18. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 17, ~~characterized~~ by further comprising a selection step of selecting one of the first and second recording conditions to be preferentially used to issue a recording instruction to the recording apparatus.

19. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 17, ~~characterized~~ by further comprising a comparison step of comparing the first and second recording conditions; and a recording condition selection step of selecting, when it is determined as a result of comparison in the comparison step that the first and second recording conditions are different from each other, one of the first and second recording conditions.

20. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 17, ~~characterized~~ **by** further comprising a comparison step of comparing the first and second recording conditions, and a warning display step of displaying, when it is determined as a result of comparison in the comparison step that the first and second recording conditions are different from each other, a warning.

21. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 17, ~~characterized~~ **in that wherein** the first recording condition is designated by a DPOF.

22. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 21, ~~characterized~~ **by** further comprising an input step of inputting the first recording condition, and a step of generating the DPOF on the basis of information input in the input step.

23. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 17, ~~characterized~~ **in that wherein** the recording instruction step includes a step of generating a command sequence for the second recording condition, which includes image data selected by the first recording condition in the second recording condition.

24. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 17, ~~characterized~~ **in that wherein** the second recording condition is a recording condition based on a common protocol between the image supply device and the recording apparatus.

25. (New) An image supply device comprising:

an interface adapted to connect with a storage medium which stores image data  
and a first recording condition associated with a recording process of the image data;

acquisition means for acquiring information associated with a function of a  
recording apparatus by communicating with the recording apparatus;

setting means for setting a second recording condition associated with the  
recording process of the image data on the basis of the information associated with the function,  
which is acquired by said acquisition means; and

transmission means for transmitting the second recording condition including  
information for designating the first recording condition to the recording apparatus.

26. (New) The device according to claim 25, wherein the information for  
designating the first recording condition designates a DPOF file.

27. (New) A recording apparatus comprising:

transmission means for transmitting information relating to the functions of the  
recording apparatus to an image supply device; and

reception means for receiving information to designate a first recording  
condition which the image supply device has, wherein the information is designated by a second  
recording condition in accordance with the information relating to the functions of the recording  
apparatus,

wherein the information to designate the first recording condition is described



as image data to be recorded in the second recording condition.

28. (New) The apparatus according to claim 27, wherein the first recording condition is a DPOF file.

29. (New) A control method of an image supply device comprising:  
a reading step of reading image data via an interface from a storage medium which stores the image data and a first recording condition associated with a recording process of the image data;

an acquisition step of acquiring information associated with a function of a recording apparatus by communicating with the recording apparatus;

a setting step of setting a second recording condition associated with the recording process of the image data on the basis of the information associated with the function, which is acquired in said acquisition step; and

a transmission step of transmitting the second recording condition including information for designating the first recording condition to the recording apparatus.

30. (New) A control method of a recording apparatus, comprising:  
a transmission step of transmitting information relating to the functions of the recording apparatus to an image supply device; and

a reception step of receiving information to designate a first recording condition which the image supply device has, wherein the information is designated by a second

recording condition in accordance with the information relating to the functions of the recording apparatus,

wherein the information to designate the first recording condition is described as image data to be recorded in the second recording condition.

31. (New) A recording medium capable of being read by a computer, for storing a program for implementing a recording control method according to claim 17.

32. (New) A recording medium capable of being read by a computer, for storing a program for implementing a control method according to claim 29.

33. (New) A recording medium capable of being read by a computer, for storing a program for implementing a control method according to claim 30.